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**BY E.C.F.**

Hon. Kenneth M. Karas  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: **United States v. Jason Watler**, Docket No. S4 05 Cr 1067 (KMK)

Dear Judge Karas:

This letter is submitted as a request for an adjournment of the sentencing in the above matter, which is presently scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2007.

I am presently in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania conducting a series of mitigation interviews in connection with an authorized federal death penalty case United States v. Jelani Solomon in the United District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, which has a September 24, 2007 trial date. As a result, I will not be returning to New York City until Thursday, July 12, 2007.

Therefore, I am requesting that the sentencing in Jason Watler's case be adjourned to any time period, convenient to the court, on the following dates: 1) July 17<sup>th</sup> through July 25<sup>th</sup> 2007; or 2) July 30, 2007 or July 31, 2007; or August 1st or August 2nd, 2007. An adjournment to one of the above dates will permit me an opportunity to appear and to submit a sentencing recommendation on behalf of Mr. Watler.

This is my second, but final, request for an adjournment of the sentencing in this case. A long overdue vacation over the past two weeks and my commitment to an authorized federal death penalty case, has necessitated the request for this adjournment.

Respectfully,

/s/ Anthony L. Ricco

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cc: A.U.S.A. Danya Perry (ECF & Email)